

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) Junction structure for connecting two profiles (1, 2), ~~in particular in a vehicle support frame,~~

wherein [[the]] a first profile (1) ~~of which~~ has at least two planar, parallel sides and [[the]] a second profile [(2)] ~~consists of~~ includes two parallel, opposite girders [(3, 4)] and at least one strip [(5, 6)] connecting the girders [(3, 4)],

whereby wherein the girders [(3, 4)] with their lateral ends project relative to the at least one strip [(5, 6)], these projections forming paired parallel flanges ~~(31, 41, 32, 42),~~ [[and]]

whereby wherein the first profile [(1)] at [[the]] a location of connection has a recess [(7)] into which the second profile [(2)] is inserted on [[the]] a front side [[in]] such a manner that [[the]] parallel sides of [[the]] opposite ends [(8, 9)] of the first profile [(1)] limiting the recess rest in a form fit against [[the]] insides ~~(31a, 41a, 32a, 42a)~~ of [[the]] opposite flanges ~~(31, 41, 32, 42)~~ of the second profile [(2)] and are connected thereto, and

wherein the first profile [(1)] has a connecting strip ~~(10)~~ projection in [[the]] a vicinity of [[its]] the recess [(7)] on [[its]] a side facing the front side of the inserted second profile [(2)].

2. (Currently Amended) Junction structure according to Claim 1, wherein the first profile [(1)] while forming the connecting strip ~~(10)~~ projection is split at [[the]] a location of the recess [(7)] as far as [[the]] a side facing the front side of the inserted second profile [(2)].

3. (Currently Amended) Junction structure according to Claim 1, wherein ~~the case of~~ the first profile [(1),] is completely split at the location of the recess [(7)], and [[the]] one end [(9)] of the first profile [(1)] has a projection forming the connection strip

~~(10)~~projection, by which this one end ~~[(9)]~~ is connected to the other end ~~[(8)]~~ of the first profile ~~[(1)]~~.

4. (Currently Amended) Junction structure according to Claim 1, wherein the second profile ~~[(2)]~~ has two strips ~~[(5, 6)]~~, wherein ~~[(the)]~~ one of which ~~(6)~~ the two strips is cut lengthwise.

5. (Currently Amended) Junction structure according to Claim 1, wherein the first and second profiles ~~[(1, 2)]~~ are joined together by welding.

6. (Currently Amended) Junction structure according to Claim 5, wherein ~~[(the)]~~ weld joint is configured as a linear weld seam ~~[(3a, 4a)]~~.

7. (Currently Amended) Junction structure according to Claim 1, wherein the second profile ~~[(2)]~~ is a ~~DAVEX~~-profile comprising two parallel aligned strips and two parallel, opposite girders, whereby lateral ends of the girders project relative to the strips, the projections forming parallel flanges.

8. (Currently Amended) Junction structure according to Claim 2, wherein the second profile ~~[(2)]~~ is configured as a vehicle seating support.

9. (Previously presented) Junction structure according to Claim 1, wherein the junction structure is additionally enclosed with shell-type elements.

10. (Previously presented) Junction structure according to Claim 9, wherein the shell-type elements are configured as deep-drawn or edge components.